A RESOLUTION to honor and specially recognize David Gregory, a dedicated public servant, on his new position as Chief-of-Staff for Lt. Governor John S. Wilder.

WHEREAS, Lt. Governor John S. Wilder has appointed David Gregory as his new Chiefof-Staff, an excellent and welcome choice, as David is very familiar with the legislative process and is a good friend of many members of the Tennessee General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, born on November 2, 1958; David received a Bachelor of Arts degree from David Lipscomb College in 1980, with a major in Biblical Studies and a minor in Speech Communications. He was honored with the Theo Elizabeth Harris Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, from 1980-1983, he served as a Health Related Boards investigator, with the Department of Health and Environment and from 1983-1987, he served in the important post of Assistant Director of Financial Management, with that department; and

WHEREAS, David served admirably as Executive Assistant to the Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environment, from 1987-1988, expertly representing the Commissioner and the Governor on matters relating to public health and the environment, managing the department's contracting process (\$70 million annually) and monitoring special projects; and

WHEREAS, he then served with extraordinary diligence and dedication as Legislative Liaison for Governor Ned R. McWherter, from 1988-1991, tirelessly representing the Governor on all legislative matters, reviewing bills and recommending a position for the Administration on all legislation. He also carefully monitored environmental policies and issues for the Governor; and

WHEREAS, from 1991-1993, David was Assistant Commissioner for Natural Resources, with the Department of Environment and Conservation, directing and managing the department's technical and financial assistance programs for air, water, solid waste and recreational facilities and the natural and cultural resource programs of the state. He was widely praised for his numerous accomplishments in this job; and

WHEREAS, in 1993 he became the Director of Legislative Affairs for Governor McWherter; he served with distinction in this position until assuming his present title; and

WHEREAS, throughout his distinguished career as a state employee, David has been highly respected and regarded; and

WHEREAS, he has also served God faithfully as the Associate Minister for the Northside Church of Christ, with primary responsibility for religious education; and

WHEREAS, an intelligent and thoughtful speaker who is highly sought after, David has conducted governmental workshops on Developing and Managing Internal Controls, Conducting Effective Investigations, Personal Motivation, Increasing Self-Esteem and Taking Pride in Your Work; and

WHEREAS, he is married and has three daughters and his hobbies include: golf, family activities and basketball; and

WHEREAS, we are very pleased to welcome David to his new job and look forward to working with him to improve the legislative process; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we express our deepest appreciation to David Gregory on his valued service as a state employee and in particular his outstanding work with the legislature and congratulate him on becoming Chief-of-Staff to Lt. Governor John S.Wilder.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation to David Gregory, with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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